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2012/13 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SEA CUCUMBER FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka.... The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information concerning the commercial harvest of sea cucumbers in Southeast Alaska during the 2012/13 season:

The following areas will be closed for the remainder of the 2012/13 season:

District 1:

West Behm Canal – (Subdistricts 101-90 and 101-95);

District 3:

Long Island and upper Cordova Bay – (Subdistricts 103-21 and 30).

The following areas will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Sunday, November 18, 2012:

District 2:

Lower Clarence Strait – (Subdistrict 102-20);

District 3:

Hetta Inlet, Nutkwa Inlet, and Keete Inlet – (Subdistricts 103-23 and 25).

For a description of the above areas please refer to the September 14, 2012, sea cucumber fishery news release announcing the open areas and their GHL's. The next news release following this opening will be available on the afternoon of **Wednesday**, **November 21, 2012**.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M3212.

2012-2013 Southeast Alaska Sea Cucumber Fishery									
	Statistical		Harvest to	Remaining					
Area Description	Area(s)	GHL	Date (lbs)	GHL					
Tree Point	101-10,11	150,100	169,172	CLOSED					
Percy Islands	101-25	90,600	108,034	CLOSED					
West Behm	101-90,95	85,100	92,730	CLOSED					
Clarence Strait	102-20	45,700	32,737	12,963					
Kasaan Bay/Skowl Arm	102-60	382,000	374,324	CLOSED					
Cleveland Pennisula	102-80	24,300	22,079	CLOSED					
Long Is./Cordova Bay	103-21,30	48,300	43,957	CLOSED					
Hetta/Nutkwa Inlet	103-23,25	155,000	130,923	12,213					
San Christoval/Trocadero	103-60,70-002	61,500	61,873	CLOSED					
Snow Pass	106-30	189,900	203,450	CLOSED					
Port Camden	109-43,105-32	14,900	14,113	CLOSED					
Chatham/Kelp Bay	112-11,21,22	69,600	69,822	CLOSED					
E. Tenakee Inlet	112-41,42	35,700	36,171	CLOSED					
W. Tenakee Inlet	112,43-48	68,300	67,292	CLOSED					
Salisbury/Peril Strait	113-62-66	55,000	54,517	CLOSED					
Totals		1,476,000	1,493,058	25,175					

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